

1 – 33 (Cancelled)

34. (New) A system for controlling the activation of electronic equipment having a power supply, an internal activation member and an input device, said system having:

at least one programmable user code;

a user determined programmable activation time period,

a readout display, and

monitoring means,

wherein entry of said at least one access code enables said electronic device to operate for said user determined programmable activation time period.

35. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said electronic device is deactivated upon termination of said user determined programmable activation time period.

36. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said electronic device is shut down upon termination of said user determined programmable activation time period.

37. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said input means is remote from said system.

38. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said internal activation member is a microchip.

39. (New) The system of claim 38 wherein at least one function is monitored by said monitoring means during said user determined programmable activation time period.

40. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said system enables control over the amount of time or specific time periods the electronic device can be used.

41. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said electronic device is a TV.

42. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said electronic device is a computer.

43. (New) The system of claim 39 wherein said at least one function is monitored based on use time or the number of hours said electronic device as been used.

44. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said electronic device is a VCR.
45. (New) The operating control system of claim 34 wherein said remote input means communicates with said internal activation member by wireless means.
46. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said display is a TV screen.
47. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein said display is a computer screen.
48. (New) The system of claim 38 wherein said at least one function is the activation time remaining.
49. (New) A system for controlling the activation of electronic device having a power source, an internal activation member, and an input device, said system having:
- at least one programmable access code
  - a user determined programmable activation time period, said electronic device being placed in a deactivation mode upon termination of said user determined programmable activation time period,
  - a readout display,
  - monitoring means, said monitoring means monitoring at least one function during said user determined programmable activation time period
  - wherein entry of said at least one access code enables said electronic device to operate for said user determined programmable activation time period.
50. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said input means is remote from said system.
51. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said system enables control over the amount of time or specific time periods the electronic device can be used.
52. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said electronic device is a TV.

- 53. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said electronic device is a computer.
- 54. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said at least one function is monitored based on use time or the number of hours said electronic device as been used.
- 55. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein said electronic device is a VCR.
- 56. (New) The operating control system of claim 49 wherein said remote input means communicates with said internal activation member by wireless means.